



Alaska Interagency
Coordination Center



Morning Highlights

June 13, 2007
Morning Highlights 2007-50

Contact:
Laurie Heupel, BLM AFS, 356-5512

HIGHLIGHTS

- 225 fires have been reported this year for a total of 71,125 acres. There were 9 new fires reported yesterday, 5 were in the Galena Zone, 3 in the Tanana Zone and 1 in Copper River. There are 28 active fires in the state; 4 in the Tanana Zone, 4 in the Fairbanks area, 1 in Tok, 2 in the Mat-Su area 8 in the Galena Zone, 1 in the Chugach National Forest, 1 in the Kenai. 1 in Copper River, and, 6 in the Upper Yukon Zone. All are being monitored closely. 184 fires have been human caused and 41 have been lightning caused, 9 of which have been declared Wildland Fire Use.
- 2 loads of smokejumpers were dispatched to the Unalakleet River Fire. Initially only one load of jumpers was dispatched to the fire with two scoopers and an ASM. The wind driven fire was burning in tundra and moving toward several structures along the river. At 7 PM, the IC requested the second load of smokejumpers. At 9 PM the IC reported that the fire had grown to 500 acres and the scoopers were requested to make additional runs. At midnight the IC reported that the jumpers were making progress on the fire and it was going well.
- The Christmas Mountain Fire was reported by a Bering Air Pilot. A load of smokejumpers was deployed. The fire is burning in spruce and tundra and was lightning caused.
- Another load of smokejumpers was deployed to the South Fork Archuelinguk Fire, which was burning in brush and tundra and was spotted by a Kenai Flying Service pilot. This fire was also lightning caused.

• ADDITIONAL REFERENCES

- Alaska Interagency Coordination Center: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov>
 - Map of Current Fires: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/predsvcs/maps.php>
 - Situation Report: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/aicc/sitreport/current.pdf>
- National Fire Situation: <http://www.nifc.gov/nicc/sitreprt.pdf>

- Creating Defensible Space: <http://firewise.org/> and <http://www.dnr.state.ak.us/forestry/pdfs/02firewise.pdf>
- Department of Transportation (Road Closure Info): (907) 451-2240, <http://511.alaska.gov>
- Division of Forestry, Burn Permit Info: (907) 451-2626, <http://www.dnr.state.ak.us/forestry/fire/>
- Department of Environmental Conservation (Smoke Concerns): <http://www.dec.state.ak.us/air/am/smoke.htm>
- National Parks Service: www.nps.gov/akso/Fire/firehome.htm
- National Weather Service: <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/>
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife: <http://www.fws.gov/fire/>
- USDA Forest Service: <http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/>
- Temporary Flight Restriction Information: <http://airspace.nifc.gov/mapping/nifc>
- Federal Aviation Administration: <http://www.faa.gov>

##